

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Arkansas Department of Health will hold a public hearing on Friday, September 10 2004 at 10: 00 a.m. in the Freeway Medical Tower, Suite 801, 5800 West Tenth Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, to allow interested persons to comment on proposed revisions to the Rules and Regulations for Critical Access Hospitals in Arkansas pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. 20-9-201 et seq. Revisions are proposed in eleven major areas: (1) Quality Assurance/Performance Improvement (“QA/PI”); (2) Committees; (3) Libraries; (4) Discharge Planning and Consent (5) Patient Grievances; (6) Medications; (7) Restraints; (8) Laboratory; (9) Central Sterilization and Supply; (10) Emergency Services; (11) Miscellaneous; and (12) Physical Facilities/Life Safety Code.

Copies of the proposed Rules and Regulations are available for public inspection and copying at the Arkansas Department of Health Division of Health Facilities Services, Freeway Medical Tower, Suite 400, 5800 West Tenth Street, Little Rock, Arkansas. The proposed Rules and Regulations are also available for inspection online through the Secretary of State website: [www.sosweb.state.ar.us](http://www.sosweb.state.ar.us) administrative rules link.

The public may submit written comments to: Renee Mallory, Leader, Health Facilities Services, Arkansas Department of Health, Freeway Medical Tower, Suite 400, 5800 West Tenth Street, Little Rock, Arkansas 72204 no later than 2:00 p.m. on September 9, 2004.